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"Award of Excellence" to Dave Root

Dave Root, Superintendent of the Williamsville/Sherman School District, was surprised at the School Board Meeting on Monday, February 16. With his family in attendance, Mr. Root was presented with an "Award of Excellence" and letter from the Villages of Sherman and Williamsville. The award and letter were presented by Sherman Mayor Trevor Clatfelter and Williamsville Village President, Tom Yokley. The intention was to recognize Dave Root for his "dedication to the students and faculty of the Williamsville School District." He was genuinely surprised and moved by the recognition, but gave credit to the faculty, staff, board, students and community. Dave Root became superintendent of Williamsville schools in July, 2007.

Don't forget to obtain building permits for your Spring projects! If your project requires a building permit and you don't have one, fees will double. Please call the Village Office with any questions.

All Town Village Garage Sale & Clean-Up

Mark your calendars now for the All-Town Village Garage Sale on Saturday, May 2. A clean-up will be held in conjunction with the Garage Sale on Saturday, May 2, and Sunday, May 3, at the Village Garage.

The Garage Sales will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. If you want to participate, please contact the Village Hall at 566-3806 by April 29. For the \$4.00 fee, the Village will advertise in several local papers, produce a listing of addresses with items for sale, and distribute the list in Williamsville before the sale.

Spring Clean-up will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday and from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Sunday. Residents (with a picture ID) may drop off segregated materials. No garbage, paper, food waste, shingles, tar paper or asphalt based sheeting. A maximum of 5 cubic feet of construction debris will be accepted. A separate bin will be available for electronics; however, NO televisions or computer screens with tubes will be accepted.



L to R: Mayor Trevor Clatfelter, Dave Root, Village President Tom Yokley.

Burning of landscape waste will be allowed within the Village from 9:00 a.m. until sunset on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from March 3 through May 20.

Can You Dig It?

The Williamsville Garden Club has several projects in the works and is always looking for new members willing to get their hands dirty. The Club is open to both men and women and is currently preparing for a boulevard renovation between Elm and Williams, as well as ideas for landscaping the new Village museum and library.

Our next two meetings are March 7th at the home of Linda Wise and April 11th at Tom Yokley's home. Meetings start at 9:00 a.m. We hope to see you there!

If you have questions about the club, feel free to contact club president, Linda Wise, at 217-566-3486 or lswise1@gmail.com.

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Backyard Basics 2015

Register now for Backyard Basics 2015. This free workshop will be on Saturday, March 21, from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the Williamsville Community Center. This year's presenters will include Harry Lewis, horticulturist at the Illinois Executive Mansion, who will share gardening and landscape design and maintenance tips. Sarah Anglum, manager at Wild Birds Unlimited, will provide ideas for making anyone's yard more bird friendly and tell you what birds to watch for as spring approaches. A question and answer session will be hosted by both presenters and members of the Williamsville Garden Club. Free refreshments will be provided by Rhonda Carter. The event is free, but space is limited. Register by Wednesday, March 18, to get free yard waste bags and extra chances to win great door prizes like lawn care, garden tools, and car washes. The event is sponsored by the Village of Williamsville, Williamsville Garden Club, the Williamsville Public Library and Museum, and the Friends of the Williamsville Public Library and Museum. Register by contacting Jean Forness at the Williamsville Public Library at 566-3520 or at billtownlib@yahoo.com.

Williamsville High School Football Team Recognized



At the February 9 Village Board Meeting, the Board recognized the Williamsville High School 2014 Football Team for their fantastic season which resulted in the 2nd place finish in the State! Congratulations to the coaches and team!

New Post Office Hours:

Now:

8:00 a.m.—12 noon and 2:00—4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday
9:00 — 11:00 a.m. Saturday

After March 9:

9:00 a.m.—12 noon and 1:00—4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday
9:00 — 11:00 a.m. Saturday

Please do business with your local post office!

Spring in the Village Craft and Vendor Event

Saturday, April 18, 2015

8:00 a.m. — 3:00 p.m.

Williamsville Community Center — 141 West Main

The Kording Building — 101 W. Main

Over 30 vendors and crafters

Open to the Public! Stop and Shop!

Pinewood Derby 2015

Evan Gettleman poses with the Village of Williamsville's sponsored car in the 2015 Cub Scout Pinewood Derby. Evan was the official competitor for the Village and placed 3rd in the Derby. Congratulations, Evan!



History of the Village of Williamsville books are now available at the Village Office for \$3.00 each. Pick up yours today!

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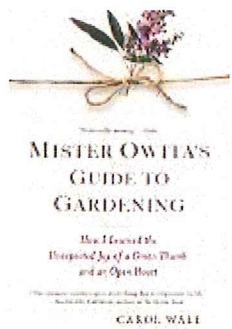
More information at www.williamsville.illinois.gov

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The "New" Williamsville Public Library and Museum: \$5,000 YALSA grant awarded to WPLM

The Williamsville Public Library and Museum is one of eight recipients of grant funds from the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA) and the Margaret Edwards Trust. YALSA received a total of 62 applicants for the grant. The Williamsville Public Library and Museum will use the grant funds to improve the library's current teen collection and expand the collection to include video games and graphic novels. In addition, the grant will provide access to the database Ancestry.com which can be used for genealogical research. WPLM is excited to offer new choices to teens and all patrons. The organization wishes to thank WCUSD #15 for their assistance with this grant. Polling students about new services the library could offer in the new facility was a huge help in securing the grant. Libby Letterly and her staff, as well as Stacie Henderson, were especially helpful.



Library Book Club

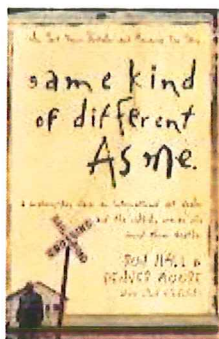
Join us on Thursday, March 26, at the library at 7:00 p.m. to discuss "Mister Owita's Guide to Gardening" by Carol Wall. In this profoundly moving memoir, Carol Wall, a white woman living in a lily-white neighborhood in Middle America, was at a crossroads in her life. Her children were grown; she had successfully overcome illness; her beloved parents were getting older. One day she notices

a dark-skinned African man tending her neighbor's yard. His name is Giles Owita. He bags groceries at the supermarket, comes from Kenya, and he's a very talented gardener.

Lively discussion will continue on April 30, at 7:00 p.m. in the library when we will examine "Same Kind of Different As Me" by Ron Hall, Denver Moore and Lynn Vincent.

The book includes a dangerous, homeless drifter who grew up picking cotton in virtual slavery; an upscale art dealer accustomed to the world of Armani and Chanel; and a gutsy woman with a stubborn dream. A story so incredible no novelist would dare dream it.

Please consider joining the Book Club for these events. It is a great way to get back into the habit of reading.



Do you like to Knit or Crochet?

Join us on March 10 and 26, or April 14 and 23, at the library starting at 12:30 p.m. to knit or crochet for our community. Lois Thompson and Dorothy Lugibill need your help to create items for Williamsville residents who are in need of our support. If your skills are a little rusty it's not a problem—our experts are on-hand to assist with a little refresher course! Don't have needles, hooks or yarn? This is not a problem. The library has plenty of yarn, hooks and needles available for your use. If you have any questions, please call the library (566-3520). The ladies are really pleased with the attendance, but there is always room for one more. This program is a "come when you are available" event — you don't have to come to each scheduled day just come whenever you're free.

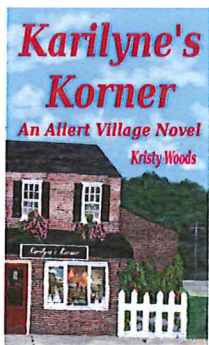
Driver's License Refresher Course

The Illinois Secretary of State's office will provide the Driver's License Refresher Course on Thursday, March 19, at 10:30 a.m. at the Williamsville Public Library. This Rules of the Road Review Course is designed to give drivers — especially senior citizens — the knowledge and confidence needed to renew or obtain a driver's license. It combines an explanation of the driving exam with a practice written exam. The questions and information in the Rules of the Road Review Course are provided only to help you measure your knowledge of driving skills and Illinois traffic laws.

Along with a thorough review of the Illinois Rules of the Road manual, the Review Course is a valuable tool in refreshing your knowledge of Illinois driving laws, traffic signs and practical driving skills.

Book/Bake Sale May 2

The Friends of the Williamsville Public Library and Museum will be having a Book/Bake Sale on Saturday, May 2, at the Library from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Books will be sold for \$2 a bag and baked items will be packaged for \$1 apiece. Mark your calendars for a fun treat!



Karilyne's Korner, by Kristy Woods

Local author, Kristy Woods, has published her first book and will have a book signing on March 11 at 6:00 p.m. at the Library. You may order the book at www.amazon.com or the store at wwwcreatespace.com to bring to the Library or sign up at the Library to have a book ordered for you. You will get a discount on the book if you pre-order through the library.

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Williamsville Volunteer Fire Department

Chief: Brian Mendenhall

Assistant Chief: Scott Gaddy

The WVFD is staffed by dedicated men and women of the community who respond 24/7, 365 days a year to fire, medical and other emergencies. Meetings are held every Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in becoming a member of our team, call us at 566-3311 or visit us at one of our meetings.

Voluntary Recall: Kidde Valve

PLEASE NOTE: Walter Kidde Portable Equipment Inc. ("Kidde") in conjunction with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) announced a voluntary recall to replace certain Kidde black plastic Zytel® nylon valve disposable fire extinguishers. Information can be found at www.kidde.com.



Volunteer Recruiting

The Fire Department is interested in recruiting people available during the day who would like to join the Department but who work nights or are otherwise unavailable during our regular Thursday meetings. Training, uniforms, protective gear and the opportunity to help your neighbors will be provided to new members. If you would like more information please call 566-3311.

Chief's Note

Thanks to everyone that came out to our Chili Dinner and silent auction in February. We will be holding our annual Pancake and Sausage breakfast on Saturday, May 2, during the Village garage sale.

Safety Tip: Fire Extinguishers

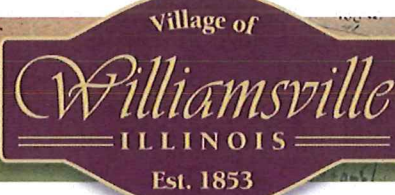
A portable fire extinguisher can save lives and property by putting out a small fire or containing it until the fire department arrives; but portable extinguishers have limitations. Because fire grows and spreads so rapidly, the number one priority for residents is to get out safely.

- Use a portable fire extinguisher when the fire is confined to a small area, such as a wastebasket, and is not growing; everyone has exited the building; the fire department has been called or is being called; and the room is not filled with smoke.
- To operate a fire extinguisher, remember the word PASS:
 - Pull the pin. Hold the extinguisher with the nozzle pointing away from you, and release the locking mechanism.
 - Aim low. Point the extinguisher at the base of the fire.
 - Squeeze the lever slowly and evenly.
 - Sweep the nozzle from side-to-side.
- For the home, select a multi-purpose A-B-C extinguisher (can be used on all types of home fires) that is large enough to put out a small fire, but not so heavy as to be difficult to handle.
- Choose a fire extinguisher that carries the label of an independent testing laboratory.
- Read the instructions that come with the fire extinguisher and become familiar with its parts and operation before a fire breaks out. Local fire departments or fire equipment distributors often offer hands-on fire extinguisher trainings.
- Install fire extinguishers close to an exit and keep your back to a clear exit when you use the device so you can make an easy escape if the fire cannot be controlled. If the room fills with smoke, leave immediately.

Know when to go. Fire extinguishers are one element of a fire response plan, but the primary element is safe escape. Every household should have a home fire escape plan and working smoke alarms.

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Williamsville Community Calendar

March

- March 1 4H Meeting, Community Center 5-8 p.m.
March 2 Foundation Meeting 6:30 p.m.
March 3 Coffee Hour 10:00 a.m. at the Library
March 3 Senior Potluck at WUMC—12 Noon
March 3 Library Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.
March 6 WUMC Fish Dinner 4:30—7:00 p.m.
March 7 Garden Club meeting at Linda Wise's home
March 9 Village Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.
March 10 Coffee Hour 10:00 a.m. at the Library
March 10 Knit/Crochet 12:30 p.m. at the Library
March 11 Karilyn's Korner book signing at the Library 6:00 p.m.
March 12 Quarter Auction 6:30 p.m. Community Center
March 13-16 Woodcarvers in Community Center all day
March 14 Williamsville FFA Prime Rib Dinner at Poe's on the Hill, 4:00 —7:00 p.m.
March 17 Coffee Hour 10:00 a.m. at the Library
March 19 & Spring Gypsy Boutique, 112 W. Main Street
20 2:00—8:00 p.m.
March 19 Driver's License Refresher Course—10:30 a.m. at the Library
March 20 WUMC Fish Dinner 4:30—7:00 p.m.
March 21 & Spring Gypsy Boutique, 112 W. Main Street
22 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
March 21 Backyard Basics, Community Center, 9 a.m. 12 noon
March 21 Jr. High Dance—7—10 p.m. at Community Center
March 23 Village Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.
March 24 Coffee Hour 10:00 a.m. at the Library
March 26 Knit/Crochet 12:30 p.m. at the Library
March 26 Book Club 7:00 p.m. at the Library — "Mister Owita's Guide to Gardening"
March 28 Easter Egg Hunt at the Park

April

- April 2 Woodcarvers in Community Center 7:00 — 9:00 p.m.
April 5 4H Meeting, Community Center 5-8 p.m.
April 6 Foundation Meeting 6:30 p.m.
April 7 Election Day
April 7 Coffee Hour 10:00 a.m. at the Library
April 7 Senior Potluck Noon at WUMC
April 7 Library Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.
April 9 Quarter Auction 6:30 p.m. Community Center — Charity is Junior Football League
April 11 Garden Club Meeting at Tom Yokley's home
April 11 Jr. High Dance—7:00—10:00 p.m. at Community Center
April 13 Village Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.
April 14 Coffee Hour 10:00 a.m. at the Library
April 14 Knit/Crochet 12:30 p.m. at the Library
April 21 Coffee Hour 10:00 a.m. at the Library
April 23 Knit/Crochet 12:30 p.m. at the Library
April 27 Village Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.
April 28 Coffee Hour 10:00 a.m. at the Library
April 30 Book Club 7:00 p.m. at the Library — "Same Kind of Different As Me"



**Happy
Easter!**

Storm season is coming! Please go to the Village website and sign up for eLert emergency notifications.

Backyard Basics

Saturday, March 21

9:00 a.m.—12 noon

Williamsville Community Center

Garden & Landscape Design

Maintenance & Creative Ideas

Harry Lewis, Horticulturist

Birds in Your Backyard

Tips to Attract More Birds

Sarah Anglum, Specialist



Door Prizes!

Chances to win great door prizes:

- **\$50 landscape services from Hartman Landscaping & Lawncare**
- **Gardening Kit from Noonan True Value**
- **Garden Tools from Pampered Chef**
- **Car Washes and many more!**

Register by Wednesday, March 18, to double your chances of winning & receive free lawn bags!

Call 566-3520 or email billtownlib@yahoo.com to register — space is limited!

The Williamsville Community Foundation Presents:

Easter Egg Hunt

For Children Ages 0-10

Saturday, March 28

Samuel H. Jones Park

Williamsville

Schedule:

12 Noon—1:30 p.m. Registration & Pictures with the
Easter Bunny

1:00 p.m. Easter Bonnet, Hat or Vest Contest

2:00 p.m. Easter Egg Hunt



Easter Egg Border by Karen Arnold

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VILLAGE BOARD MEETINGS

The regular semi-monthly meetings are scheduled for the second and fourth Monday of each month and will begin at 6:30 p.m. at the Village Hall. The public is always encouraged to attend. Special board meetings and committee meetings are scheduled as needed. Dates and agendas for all meetings are posted on the board near the door of the Village Hall and may also be reviewed on the Village website.

Approved Minutes and Agendas

may be viewed at the Village Office or the website at

www.williamsville.illinois.gov

Village of Williamsville

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7:30-11:30 am

12:30 -3:30 pm

Monday-Friday

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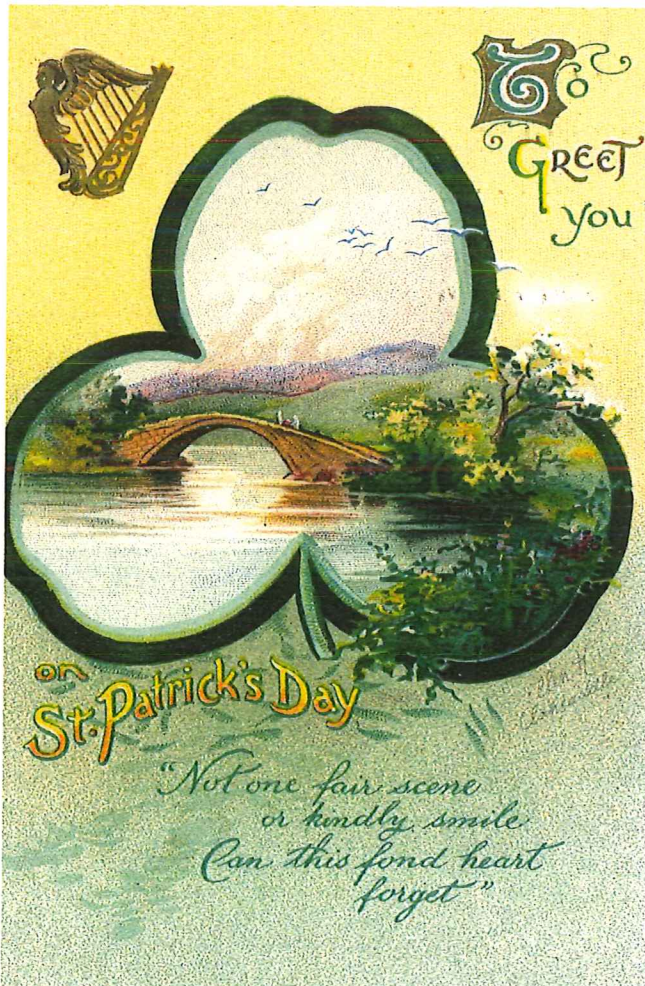
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